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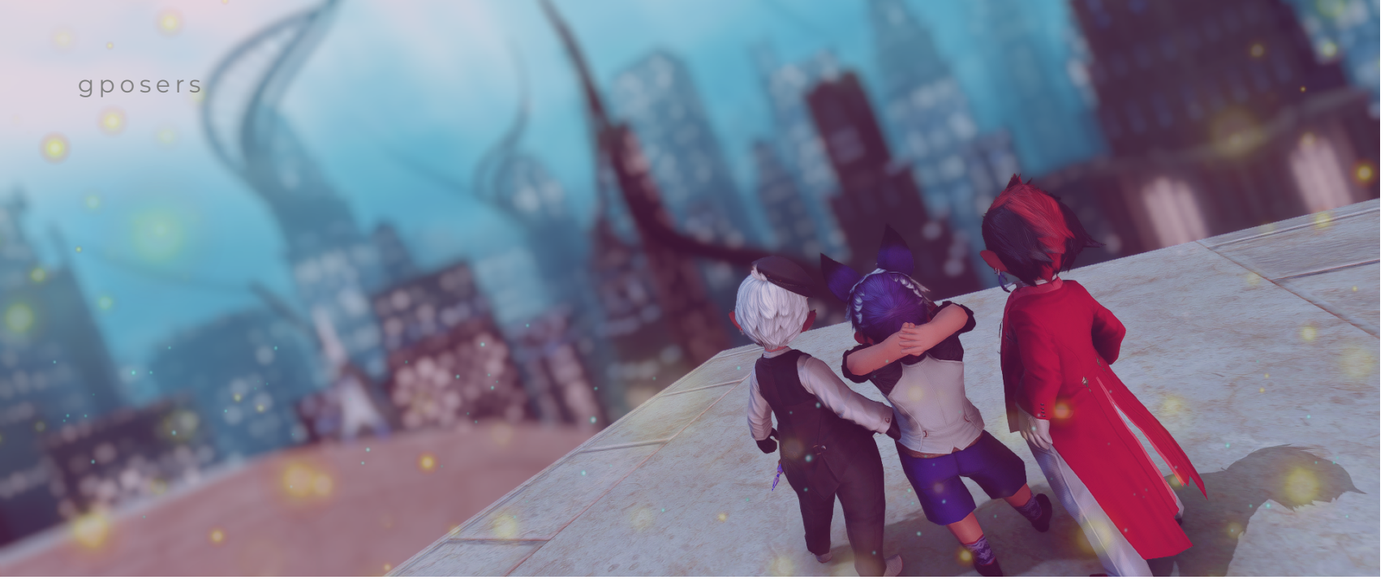

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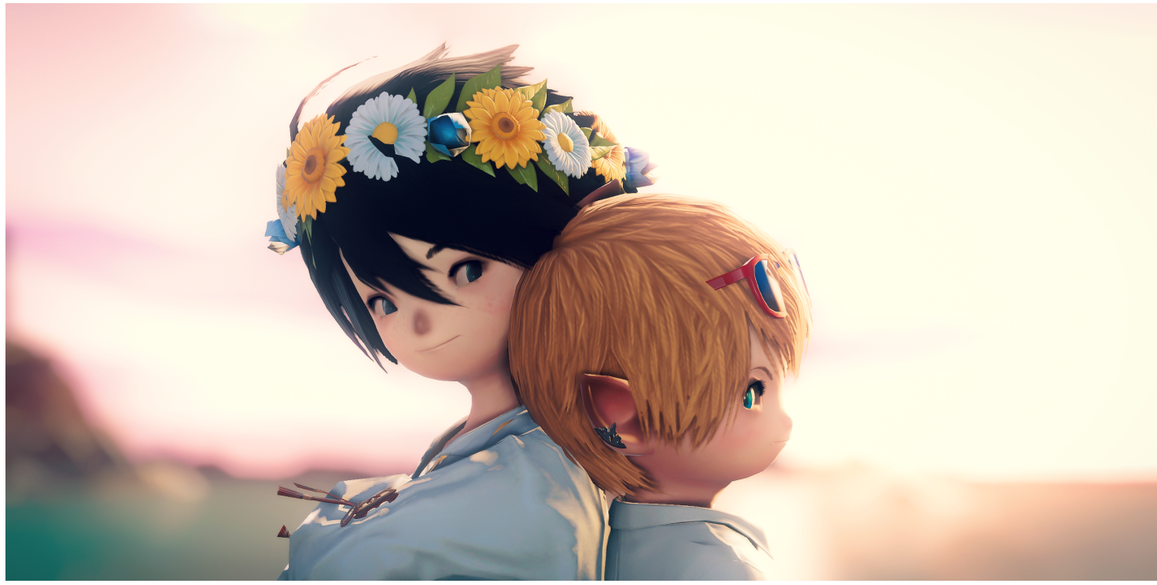

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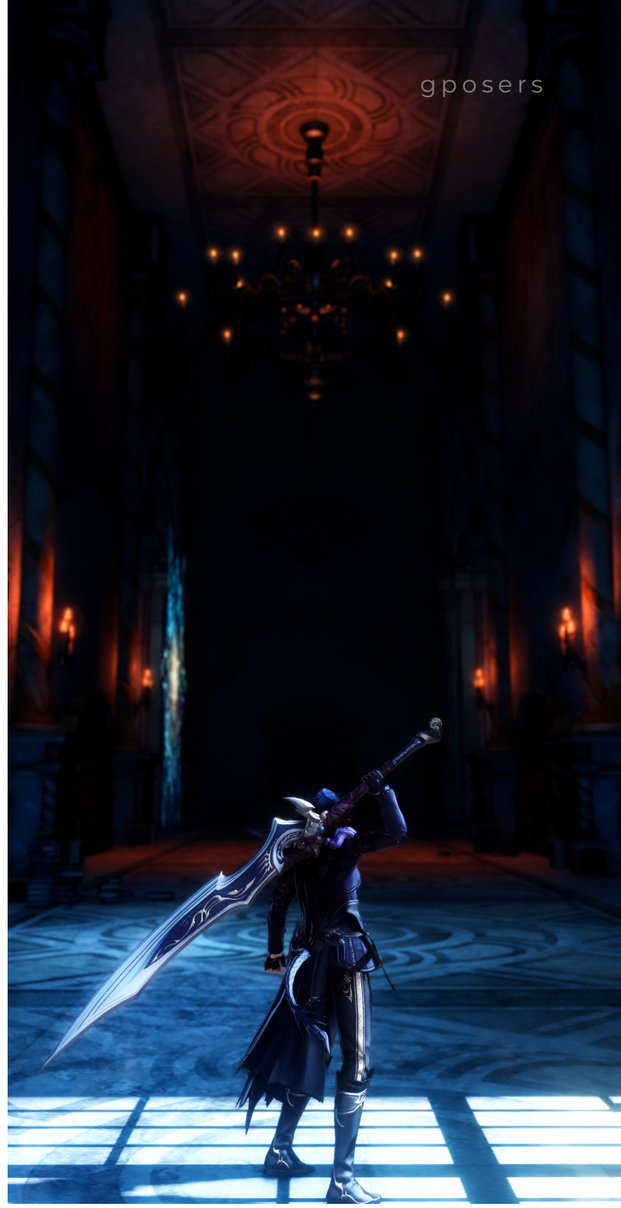
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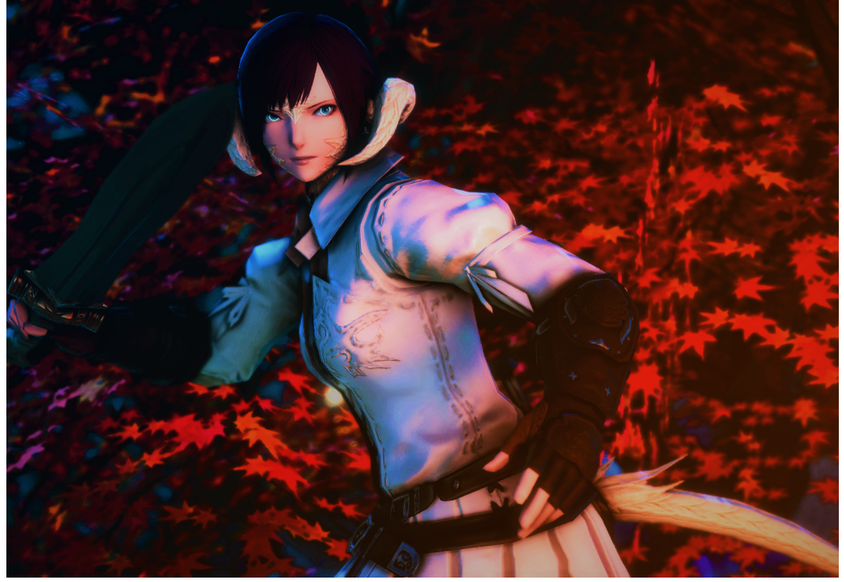

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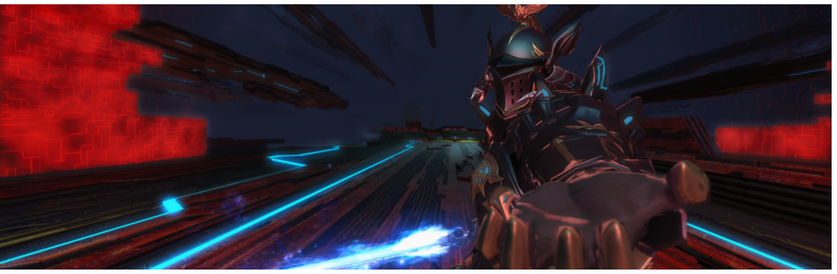

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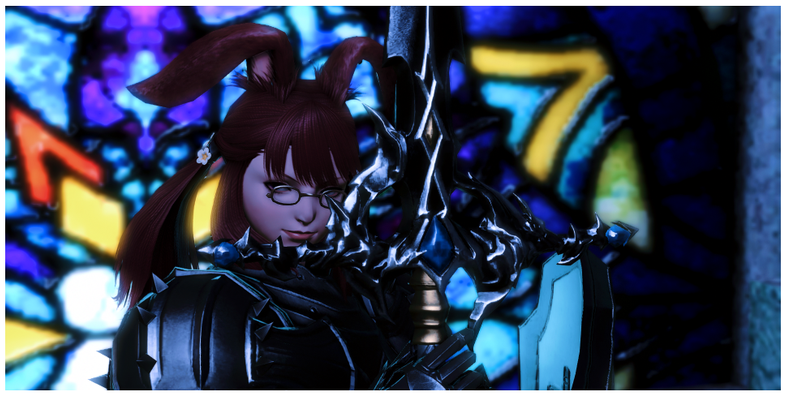

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Welcome to the Gold Saucer

BY MISS FASHIONFUCHS
FROM OMEGA

Instagram: Fashionfuchs

Welcome to the Gold Saucer, a place of magic, celebration, passion, and distraction; I'm your host who will accompany you on this journey. We offer the opportunity to escape from your everyday life; an oasis of regeneration from the stressful life of a hero of Eorzea. Leave your thoughts outside the door and immerse yourself in another world. Rest assured, discretion is very important to us. And please don't forget a very important fact: a little party never killed anyone.

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GEAR LIST
FOR WELCOME TO
THE GOLD SAUCER

MAIN HAND: THE SPIRIT OF THE WHALAQEE
Obtained: Out of the Blue (Sidequest)

HEAD: WEATHERED EVENSTAR HAT
Obtained: Hunt Billmaster (30 Allied Seals)

CHEST: HEMPEN CAMISE
Dye: Soot Black Dye
Obtained: Crafted (WVR Lvl. 3) / Maisenta - New Gridania (59 Gil)

GLOVES: RED TULIP CORSAGE
Obtained: Crafted (ALC Lvl. 66)

PANTS: EVENSTAR TIGHTS
Obtained: Drake - North Shroud - Hyrstmill (1 Sands of Time, 1 Weathered Evenstar Tights)

SHOES: NO.2 TYPE B BOOTS
Obtained: The Copied Factory

EARRINGS: PRIMAL EARRINGS OF CASTING
Obtained: Hismena - Mor Dhona (180 Allagan Tomestone of Poetics)

RING 1: SHIRE PHILOSOPHER'S RING
Obtained: Hismena - Idyllshire (180 Allagan Tomestone of Poetics)

RING 2: IRONWORKS RING OF CASTING
Obtained: Auriana - Mor Dhona (180 Allagan Tomestone of Poetics)

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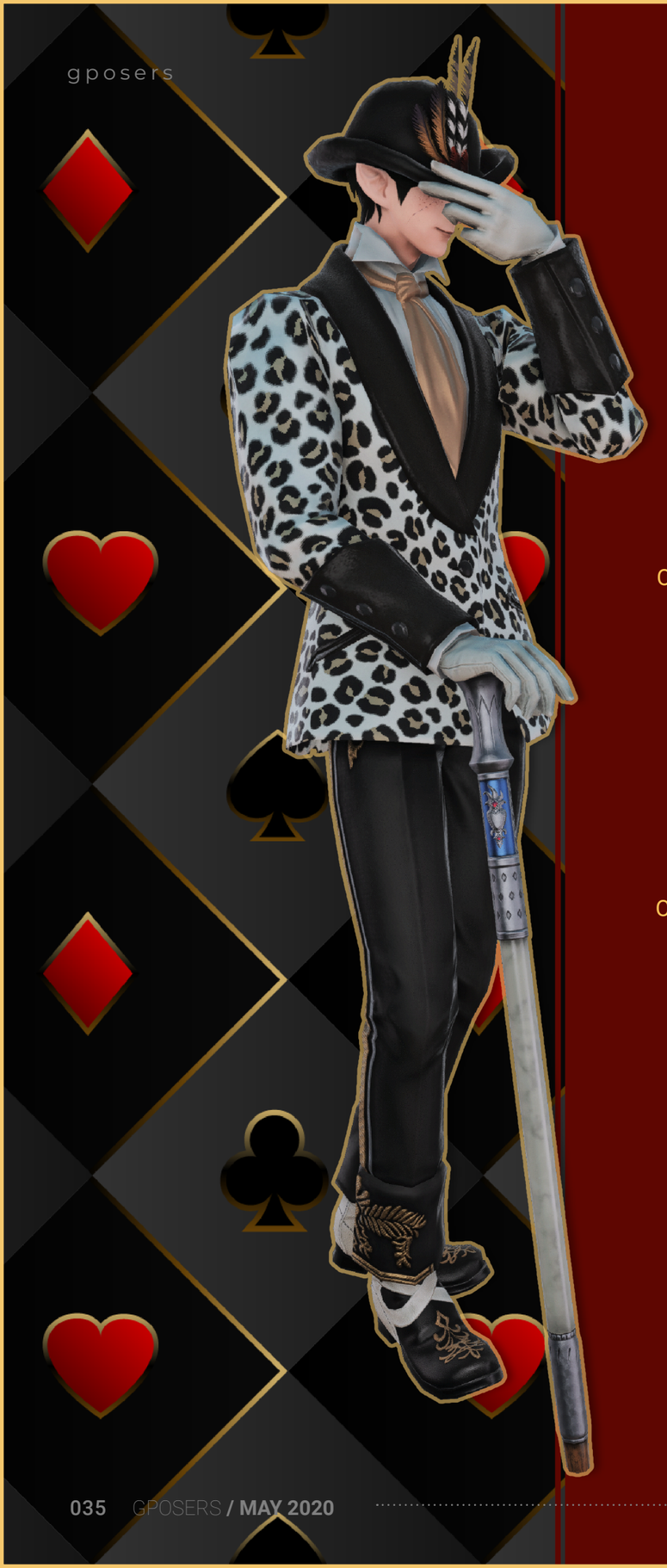
JOKER'S GAMBLE

BY LEVIER DEWIT
FROM OMEGA

A stranger no one likes to see appear at their table, for the stakes of winning will be high. Just a simple smile will turn tides faster than you can yell “Cactpot!” This doesn’t mean he wins a lot, though. In fact, everyone suspects he’s either a gillionaire hellbent on ridding his fortunes fast, or a simple nobleman’s son who found his way into his father’s coffers. No one knows his real name, but due to his rather strange taste in fashion and play style he has earned the nickname “Joker’s Gamble”. For when he does win, it will leave you wishing you hadn’t grown too confident.



GEAR LIST
FOR JOKER'S GAMBLE

MAIN HAND: RAINMAKER
Obtained: Out of the Blue (Sidequest)

HEAD: HIGH HOUSE CLOCHE
Obtained: Crafted (LTW Lvl. 60)

CHEST: SPOTTED SPENCER
Obtained: Bertana - Idyllshire
(6 Coeurlregina Horns)

GLOVES: LEONHART GLOVES
Dye: Snow White
Obtained: Veteran Reward (330 Days)

PANTS: KUPO TROUSERS
Obtained: Coffer o' Kupos

SHOES: KUPO SHOES
Obtained: Coffer o' Kupos

Master of Ceremonies

BY MATAHINA UMIGAME
FROM BALMUNG

Twitter: @MatahinaFFXIV

Ladies and gents, this is the moment you've waited for

Been searching in the dark, your sweat
soaking through the floor

And buried in your bones there's an ache
that you can't ignore

Taking your breath, stealing your mind
And all that was real is left behind

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GEAR LIST
FOR MASTER OF CEREMONIES

MAIN HAND: RAINMAKER
Obtained: Out of the Blue (Sidequest)

HEAD: VALENTIONE ROSE RIBBONED HAT
Dye: Adamantoise Green
Obtained: Future Mog Station Item

CHEST: KUPO JACKET
Dye: Adamantoise Green
Obtained: Coffer o' Kupos

PANTS: QUAINTRELLE'S RUFFLED SKIRT
Dye: Adamantoise Green
Obtained: Crafted (WVR Lvl. 70)

SHOES: FAR EASTERN MAIDEN'S BOOTS
Dye: Adamantoise Green
Obtained: Mog Station

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CARD'S *Bet*

A player among the rest, the gambler reads his cards and your mind to win every game. He won't hesitate and will challenge you into some bets...be careful, he loves to play but prefers to win! His outfit reflects his playful yet single-minded way to live.

GEAR LIST
FOR CARD'S BET

MAIN HAND: MOONLIT MOGGLE MOGLOBE
Obtained: Crafted (GSM Lvl. 50)

HEAD: SCION ADVENTURER'S MONOCLE
Obtained: The Greater Obeisance

CHEST: GAMBLER'S TRENCHCOAT
Obtained: Gold Saucer Attendant - The Gold Saucer (100,000 MGP)

GLOVES: COTTON DRESS GLOVES
Obtained: Crafted (WVR Lvl. 21) / Domitien - Old Gridania (589 Gil)

PANTS: KUPO TROUSERS
Obtained: Coffer o' Kupos, Kupo of Fortune

SHOES: BEST MAN'S GAITERS
Obtained: Crafted (LTW Lvl. 50) / Rianne - Ul'dah Step of Nald (6,000 Gil)

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Magic Trick

The Gold Saucer is a place full of surprise and fun, and this magician will only spice things up! (Let's hope he won't set anyone on fire...) What is in this big hat? And those big sleeves? Many tricks await!

GEAR LIST
FOR MAGIC TRICK

MAIN HAND: DREADWYRM STAFF
Obtained: The Final Coil of Bahamut - Turn 4

HEAD: EVENSTAR HAT
Obtained: Drake - North Shroud
(1x Weathered Evenstar Hat,
1x Sands of Time)

CHEST: EDENGRACE JACKET OF CASTING
Dye: Wine Red
Obtained: Eden's Gate: Sepulture (Savage)

GLOVES: NO.2 TYPE B GLOVES
Obtained: The Copied Factory

PANTS: VALENTIONE ROSE TIGHTS
Obtained: Future Mog Station Item

SHOES: VALENTIONE ROSE HEELS
Obtained: Future Mog Station Item

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GOLDEN HOUR

Do you like hearing your own voice? Or perhaps watching games instead of playing them? Then this is just the glamour for you! Take on the role* of the beloved Golden Saucer Event Announcer today!

*You will not be paid.

GEAR LIST
FOR GOLDEN HOUR

MAIN HAND: SENOR SABOTENDER'S GRIMOIRE
Obtained: Gold Saucer Attendant - Golden Saucer (100,000 MGP)

HEAD: SENESCHAL'S MONOCLE
Obtained: Future Mog Station Item

CHEST: EDENCHOIR TUNIC OF CASTING
Dye: General-purpose Metallic Gold
Obtained: Eden's Verse: Refulgence (Savage)

GLOVES: ANGELIC CHAPLETS
Obtained: Mog Station

PANTS: FAR EASTERN MAIDEN'S BOTTOMS
Obtained: Mog Station

SHOES: DEMONIC THIGHBOOTS
Obtained: Mog Station

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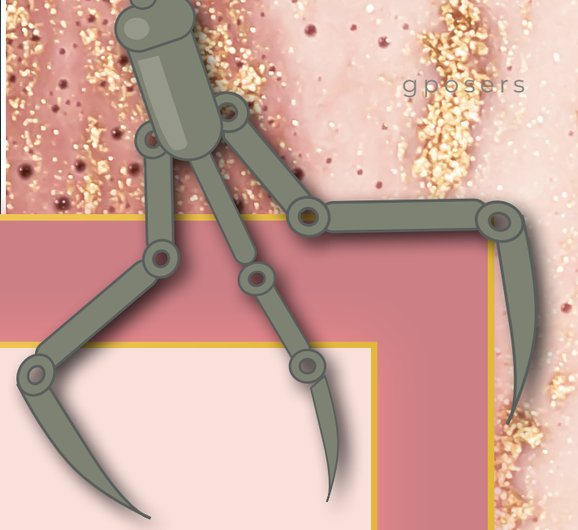

MOOGLE PAW MASTER

Do you want to be the very best, like no other Moogle was? Put your superior fashion skills to the test, and make the status of Moogle Paw Master your cause!

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GEAR LIST
FOR MOOGLE PAW MASTER

MAIN HAND: MIGHTY MOGGLE MOGROD
Obtained: Crafted (ALC Lvl. 50)

CHEST: KUPO JACKET
Obtained: Coffer o' Kupos

GLOVES: LEATHER RING BANDS
Dye: General-purpose Metallic Gold
Obtained: Crafted (LTW Lvl. 16) /
Domitien - Old Gridania (365 Gil)

PANTS: THAVNAIRIAN SAROUEL
Dye: Soot Black
Obtained: Crafted (WVR Lvl. 60)

SHOES: BLESSED ESPADRILLES
Obtained: Haukke Manor (Hard)/Pharos Sirius

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Jack of All Trades

Have you ever wanted to be a dapper card dealer? Now's your chance! Don your blazing red vest and tie, form-fitting capri pants, pointy shoes, and become what you must...become the Cardbringer!

GEAR LIST
FOR JACK OF ALL TRADES

MAIN HAND: RIGEL
Obtained: Castrum Abania

HEAD: PINCE-NEZ
Obtained: Dzemael Darkhold

CHEST: VALENTIONE ROSE WAISTCOAT
Obtained: Future Mog Station Item

PANTS: DIAMOND TROUSERS OF HEALING
Obtained: Sigmascape V3.0 (Savage)

SHOES: WELKIN SHOES
Dye: Dalamud Red
Obtained: Seika - Idyllshire (Antiquated Welkin Shoes x1, Illuminati Gobtwine x1)

EARRING: DEEP SHADOW EARRING OF HEALING
Obtained: Aymark - Eulmore (375 Allagan Tomestones of Phantasmagoria)

RING: PETALITE RING OF HEALING
Obtained: Crafted (GSM Lvl.78) / Tholl Junkmonger - Tomra (18,451 Gil)

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THE GREEN SEÑORITA

These cute little Sabotenders walking all around the Gold Saucer aren't very talkative... but it's because they are in character! No few Lalafells dream of being among the chosen that get to don the uniform of this cute mascot while dancing around and making everyone smile!

GEAR LIST
FOR THE GREEN SEÑORITA

MAIN HAND: SENOR SABOTENDER'S CANE
Obtained: Gold Saucer Attendant - Gold Saucer (100,000 MGP)

HEAD: AUGMENTED HAILSTORM CROWN OF HEALING
Dye: General-purpose Metallic Gold
Obtained: Seika - Idyllshire (1x Hailstorm Crown of Healing, 1x Illuminati Taut Gobtwine)

CHEST: HANNISH WOOL AUTUMN SHIRT
Dye: Cactuar Green
Obtained: Crafted (WVR Lvl. 70)

GLOVES: HEMPEN DRESS GLOVES
Dye: Cactuar Green
Obtained: Crafted (WVR Lvl. 11) / Domitien - Old Gridania (224 Gil)

PANTS: VALENTIONE SKIRT
Dye: Cactuar Green
Obtained: Mog Station

SHOES: LOYAL HOUSEMAID'S PUMPS
Dye: Ochu Green
Obtained: Mog Station

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THE GREAT SHOOTER

A GATE where you shoot things? Perfect for a machinist, am I right? They may never miss their target, but may get a little too excited and aim at the wrong one. Unlike on the field of battle, shooting everything will make you lose points!

GEAR LIST
FOR THE GREAT SHOOTER

MAIN HAND: COLIBRI CANNON
Obtained: Gold Saucer Attendant Prize - Gold Saucer (10,000 MGP)

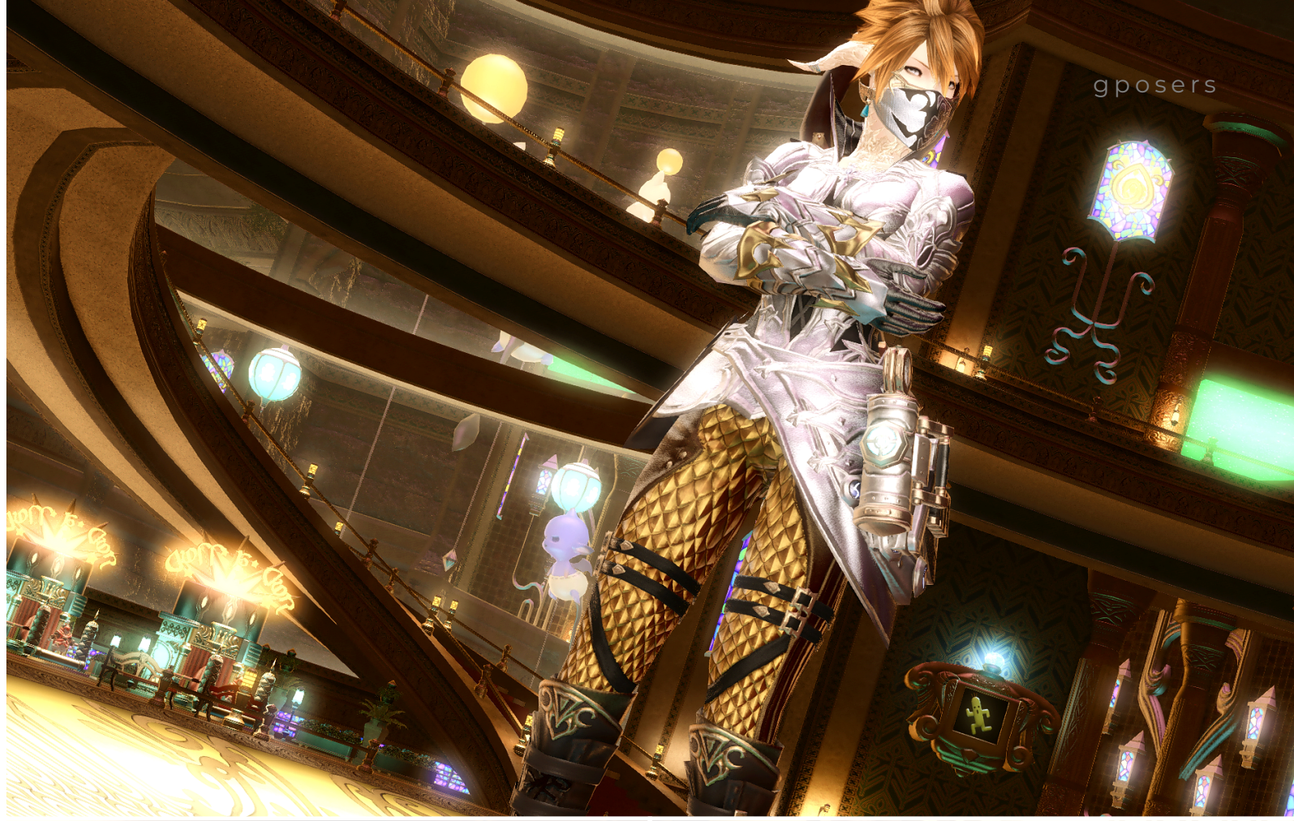
HEAD: REPLICA HIGH ALLAGAN MASK OF AIMING
Dye: General-purpose Metallic Silver
Obtained: Crafted (LTW Lvl. 60)

CHEST: OMEGA JACKET OF AIMING
Dye: General-purpose Metallic Silver
Obtained: Alphascape V4.0 (Savage)

GLOVES: REPLICA DREADWYRM BRACERS OF AIMING
Dye: General-purpose Metallic Silver
Obtained: Crafted (LTW Lvl. 60)

PANTS: AUGMENTED SHIRE CONSERVATOR'S HOSE
Dye: General-purpose Metallic Gold
Obtained: Seika - Idyllshire (1x Shire Conservator's Hose, 1x Illuminati Tautest Gobtwine)

SHOES: NEO-ISHGARDIAN BOOTS OF AIMING
Dye: Kobold Brown
Obtained: Crafted (LTW Lvl. 80)



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A DAY AT THE *Races*

Chocobo racing calls for avid fans to wear the most elegant—and sometimes outrageous—outfits one can put together. Cheer on your favorite jockey and have a grand ol' time around large hats and even larger personalities!

GEAR LIST
FOR A DAY AT THE RACES

MAIN HAND: RAINMAKER
Obtained: Out of the Blue (Sidequest)

HEAD: CORONAL STRAW HAT
Dye: Snow White
Obtained: Crafted (WVR Lvl. 50)

CHEST: THAVNAIRIAN WOOL AUTUMN DRESS
Dye: Coral Pink
Obtained: Crafted (WVR Lvl. 70)

GLOVES: FALSE NAILS
Dye: General-purpose Pure White
Obtained: Madhura - The Fringes (6 Ananta Dreamstaff)

PANTS: NO.2 TYPE B LEGGINGS
Dye: Ice Blue
Obtained: The Copied Factory

SHOES: NO.2 TYPE B BOOTS
Dye: General-purpose Pure White
Obtained: The Copied Factory

EARRING: CRYSTARIUM EARRINGS OF CASTING
Obtained: Aymark - Eulmore (375 Allagan Tomestones of Allegory)

NECKLACE: CRYSTARIUM CHOKER OF CASTING
Obtained: Aymark - Eulmore (375 Allagan Tomestones of Allegory)

RING: PETALITE RING OF CASTING
Obtained: Crafted (GSM Lvl. 78) / Tholl Junkmonger - Kholusia (18,451 Gil)

RING: ETERNITY RING
Obtained: Ceremony of Eternal Bonding (Standard)

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SADDLE UP

Get ready to saddle up with this racing jockey inspired glam. Whether you're dashing down the beaches of Costa del Sol or sprinting through the brush on the Tranquil Paths, this look is sure to have you ready to race and take down the competition!

GEAR LIST
FOR SADDLE UP

MAIN HAND: EMPEROR'S NEW FISTS
Obtained: Goberin - Western Thanalan - Vesper Bay (1,980 Gil)

HEAD: ANEMOS POT HELM
Dye: Meadow Green
Obtained: Eureka Anemos Lockboxes

CHEST: SKY PIRATE'S JACKET OF STRIKING
Dye: Meadow Green
Obtained: Crafted (LTW Lvl. 60)

GLOVES: HOLY RAINBOW GLOVES
Dye: Snow White
Obtained: Crafted (WVR Lvl. 53) / Norlaise - Foundation - The Pillars (7,096 Gil)

PANTS: NEO-ISHGARDIAN BOTTOMS OF STRIKING
Dye: Snow White
Obtained: Crafted (WVR Lvl. 80)

SHOES: WYVERNSKIN BOOTS OF STRIKING
Dye: Mole Brown
Obtained: Crafted (LTW Lvl. 53) / Norlaise - Foundation - The Pillars (15,840 Gil)

Riichi 麻雀 MAHJONG

WITH OSHEA HAITEI

Welcome back to…*Eorzean Tile-Pusher*, where this month we look at the highly popular game **mahjong** (also 麻将 pronounced "***mājan***")—more precisely **riichi mahjong**—the Japanese version of the game. My name is Oshea, and I'll be your…tile-pushing guide.

An important disclaimer: neither *GPOSERS* nor myself are advertising, condoning, or recommending any sort of illegal gambling. The game has a history of gambling but is played amongst friends and family without any monetary incentives with just as much fun.

With the legal stuff out of the way, let's talk about tile pushing. First of all, this is not going to be a completely basic explanation of rules, I implore you to use the in-game available NPC and the Lodestone to familiarize yourself with the tiles themselves and what a winning hand consists of. Don't worry, you don't have to understand everything at once, especially all of the winning conditions or calculating the exact points your hand is worth.

Now, you hopefully have seen the Basic Yaku section. While well-intended, there are a few more I'd like to draw attention to, as well as give you the Japanese names for them as those can be important depending on where you play online or whom you play with in real life.
First the names:

- **Tanyao** (断幺九, also pronounced "*tanyao*")
- **All Pon/All Triplets** (対々和, mostly shortened to 対々, pronounced "*toitoihou*"/"*toitoi*")
- **Pure Straight** (一気通貫, mostly shortened to 一通, prounced "*ikkitsuukan*"/"*ittsu*")
- **Mixed Triple Chi** (三色同順, mostly shortened to 三色, pronounced "*sanshoku doujun*"/"*sanshoku*")
    - There is another yaku called something similar: **Mixed Triple Pon** (三色同刻, pronounced "*sanshoku doukou*"), due to its rarity just "*sanshoku*" always refers to Mixed Triple Chi
- **Half Flush** (混一色, pronounced "*honiisou*", usually referred to as "*honitsu*")
- **Full Flush** (清一色, pronounced "*chiniisou*", usually referred to as "*chinitsu*")

CHINITSU / FULL FLUSH

Personally I'd argue that at least Full Flush is rare enough to not bother teaching to an absolute beginner, but it is one of the easier yakus to remember.

All the above-mentioned yakus can be used in open and closed hands. A closed hand means you have not called "*chi*", "*pon*" or "*kan*" to add tiles from other people's discards to your hand. If you did, your hand is now considered "open." A lot of yakus are worth 1 *han* less if your hand is open and some are not possible to get with an open hand, though that is not to imply that you should never open your hand.

Now some more basic yaku:

- **Menzen Tsumo** (門前清自摸和, mostly shortened to ツモ, pronounced "*menzenchin tsumohou*"/"*tsumo*") is a 1 *han* yaku that requires you to win your hand by drawing one of the tiles that complete your hand yourself with a closed hand
- **Yakuhai** (役牌, also pronounced "*yakuhai*") is a 1 *han* yaku requiring you to have a triplet (or a *kan*) of either a dragon tile, your seat wind, or the round wind. This yaku applies to open hands too
- **Pure Double Chi** (一盃口, pronounced "*iipeikou*") is a 1 *han* yaku achievable by having the exact same sequence twice, e.g. 123 of dots. This yaku only counts in closed hands
- **Pinfu** (平和, also pronounced "*pinfu*"), explaining this one can be a bit tricky, so I will leave it to the ***Japanese Mahjong Wiki*** on this one

The most important yaku, being the namesake for this version of mahjong, is "**Riichi**" (立直). When you declare riichi, you essentially "bet" 1000 points that you will win the round. You can no longer change your hand, only draw, discard, and call a win. This yaku is not only powerful for its relatively easy-to-get 1 *han* value or being a yaku achievable with any hand, but also giving you a chance for "**Ura Dora**" upon winning the round.

A "RIICHI" HAND

With all those yaku listed, please do not worry about not quite understanding all of them from the get-go, especially pinfu. What really helps in the beginning is having a small sheet, *.txt* file, or anything like that open or on your desk to remind you of the yakus while you're playing. A wonderful sheet (with all yakus) is available from the ***World Riichi Championship*** (WRC). Please note that the character tiles are in Japanese here, a key is available.

If all of this did not scare you off from trying this wonderful game, I recommend you to do as they say in the Lodestone guide: "*learn by playing.*"

There are a lot of things to learn in mahjong, even after decades of playing, which makes it such an interesting and fun game to me. If you find yourself enjoying the game, I highly recommend venturing out from Final Fantasy XIV's mahjong, with "**Mahjong Soul**" and "**Tenhou**" being notable platforms. If at all available in your area, I implore you to seek out clubs and/or playing groups in real life, as I have made lots of friends through this new hobby, which also started in XIV for me. Who knows, maybe you'll show up at my club someday.

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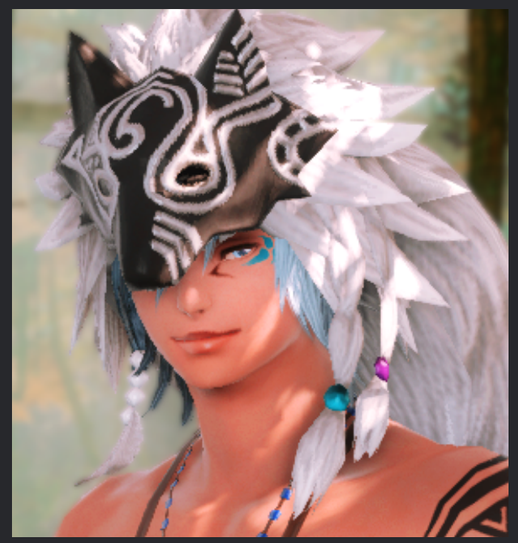

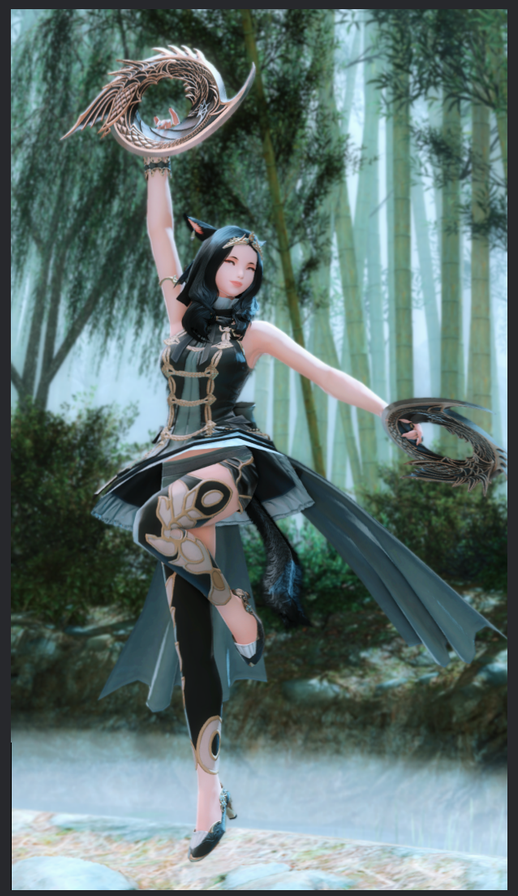

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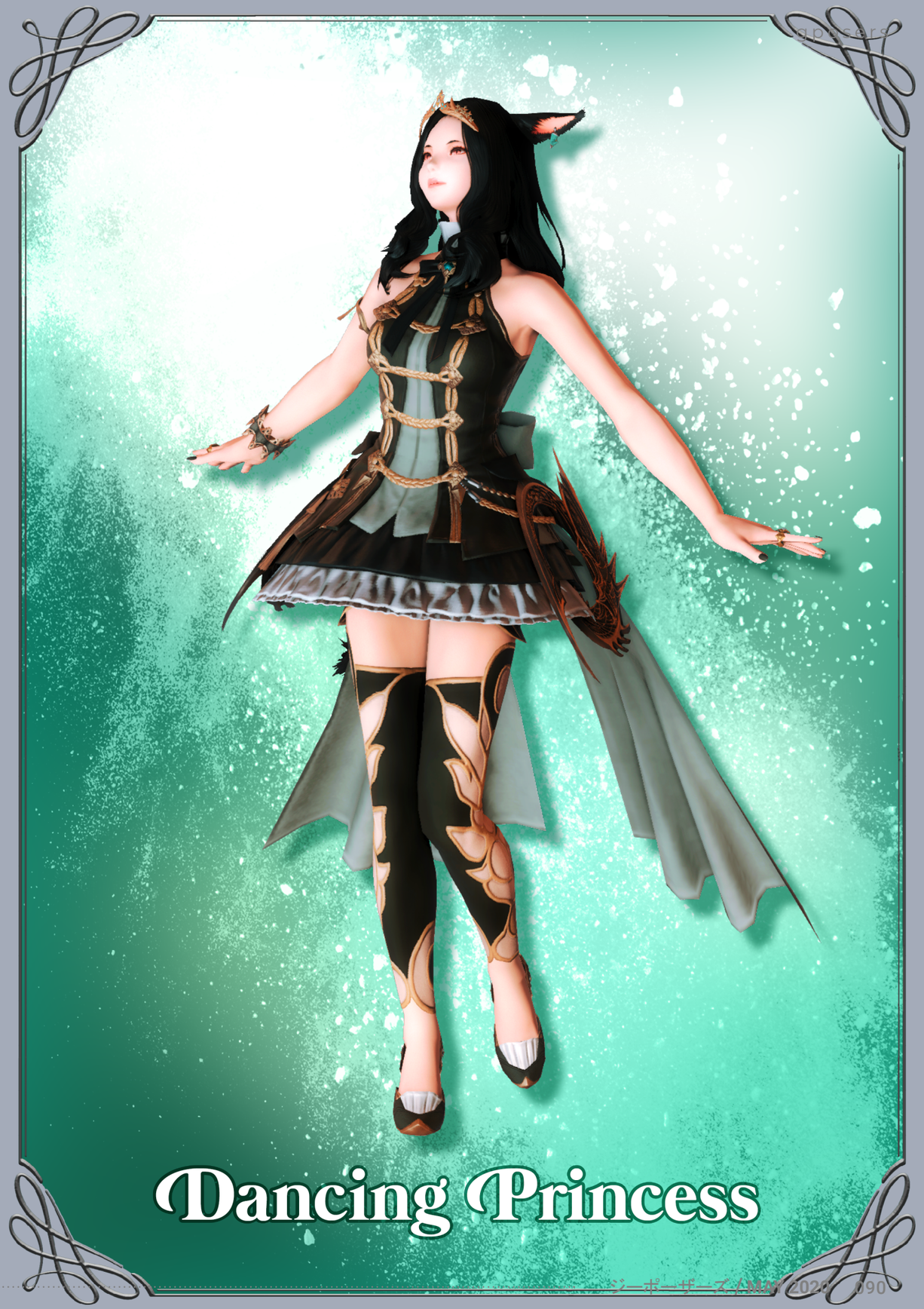

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LEEJA'S HOUSING CORNER

featuring Nyxxie Fae's home on Excalibur

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Hello and welcome back to another edition of Leeja's Housing Corner! I'm Leeja Llen, and I'm back to showcase another fabulous house I've found while meandering throughout Eorzea. I know it's been quite a while since I've taken you on a grand housing tour, but I'm so glad you're all here to join me once again.

This month's showcase is bursting with Hingan decor. Located in Shirogane, Nyxxie Fae has bowled me over with her mastery of home design. Let's take a look, shall we?

Nyxxie's home sits adjacent to the beach, overlooking the water. Her yard is simple but homey. The **shishi-odoshi** sits under a **far eastern willow** to the left as we enter and an **oriental deck** is placed to the right, angled to overlook the beach and its vast ocean. Nyxxie is obviously a fan of gardening in her spare time, as indicated by her flourishing garden!

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When we enter the cottage, we immediately note the lighting. Nyxxie prefers to utilize the natural light coming from the **fool's thresholds**, as opposed to the sometimes more harsh light of a typical chandelier. I, for one, am a huge fan of incorporating this in my personal home decoration. The natural light is such a nice touch to the home, and really gives it the cozy feel you'd want to return home to after a long day of adventuring.

To our left, we are greeted by the maid and butler, and a welcoming array of treats laid out at the bar. From a basket full of delicious sandwiches, fresh fruit, and a lovely spread of sushi, there's a bit of something for everyone to enjoy!

Straight ahead is a larger lounge sitting area for added comfort while entertaining guests! Adjacent to the lounge, a **hingan fire pit** warms up a pot of tea. **Planter partitions** adorn the area, along with the ever-popular **wall planters** - a personal favorite of mine - and the **imposing dimension castle vases** for an added pop of color!

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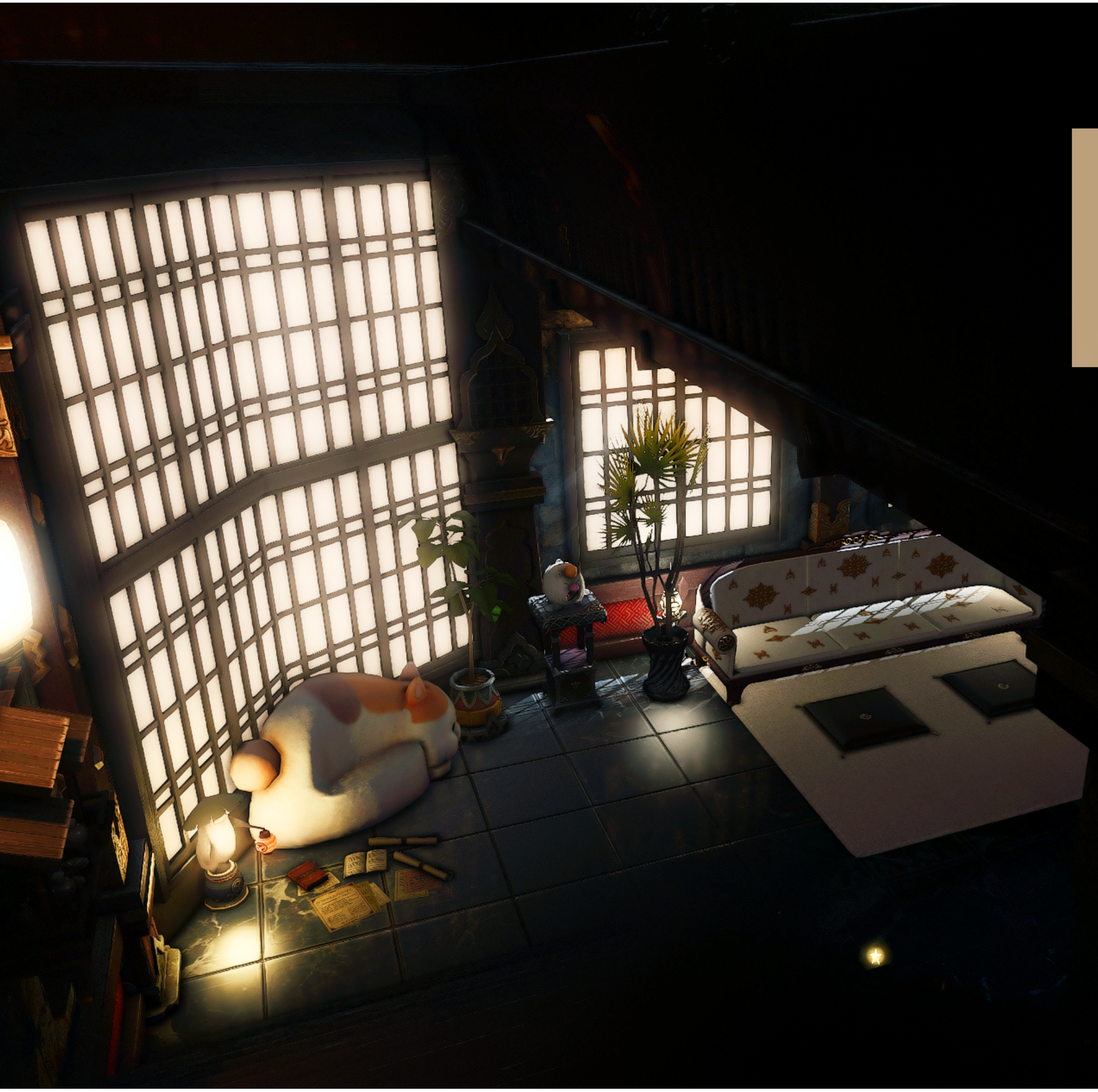
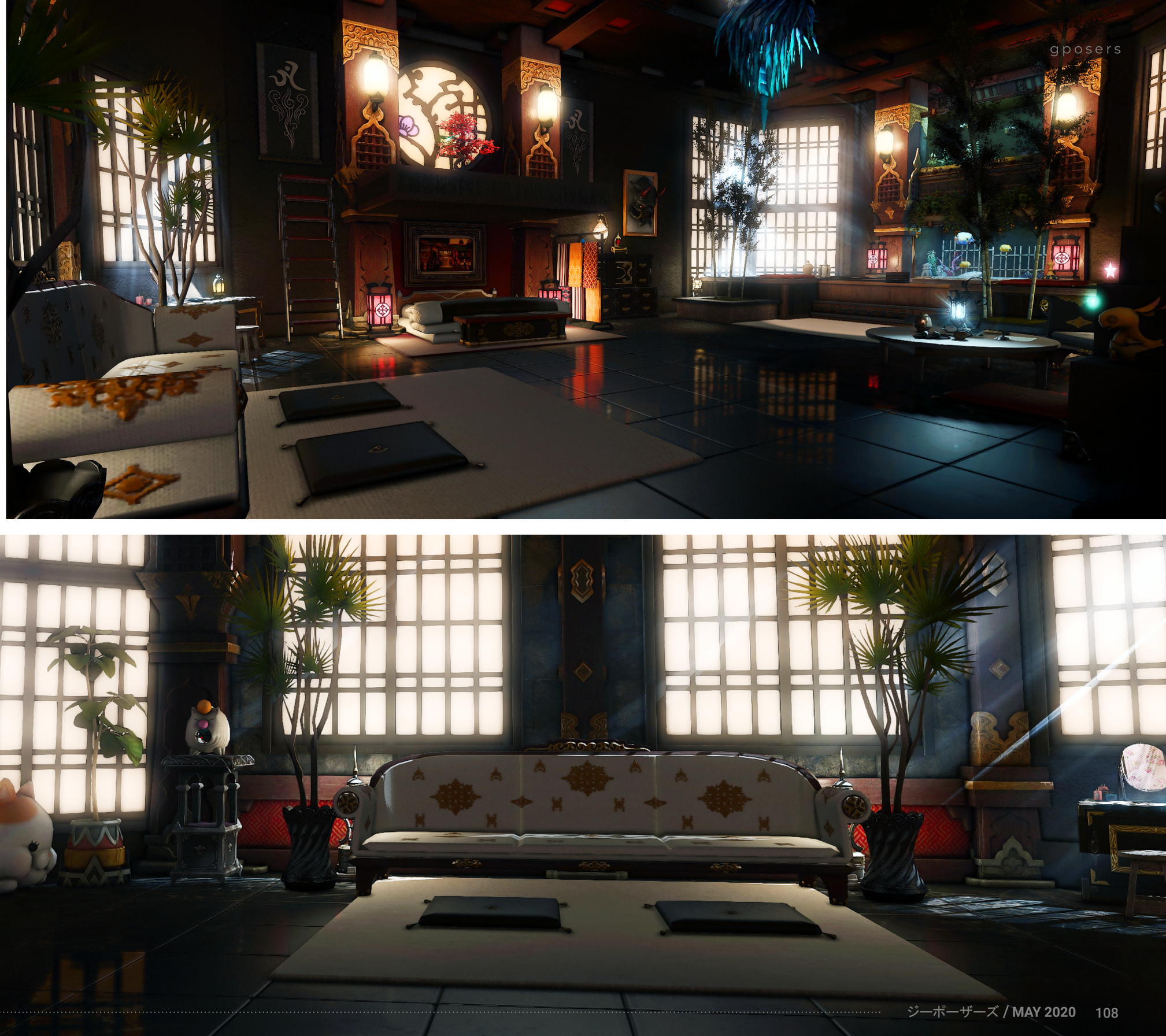
The upper floor of Nyxxie's hingan inspired abode is warm and inviting, but let's see what the lower level has to offer, shall we?

At the staircase landing, we catch a view of what Nyxxie has in store for us below—the cozy living space is clearly visible on our way down the stairs!



Nyxxie has expertly decorated the lower level of her home, incorporating a personal sitting area adjacent to her charming bedroom.



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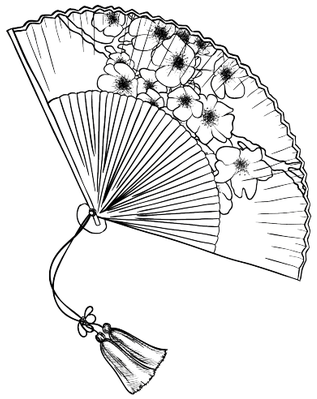

Her bedroom is just that—charming! Lying under a lowered ceiling is her bed, nestled between the soft light of the **hingan andon lamps**, and surrounded by homey decor.

A personal sitting area is steps away from her bedroom, complete with an **oriental round table** furnished with writing utensils and some snacks.

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Lastly but certainly not leastly, we stop at the bath. Nyxxie has outdone herself here, creating the ultimate homage to relaxation. Fish swim peacefully in a two-tiered fish tank, settled between two **hingan pillars** and surrounded by more of that soft light coming from the **Fool's Thresholds** angled to face the bath.

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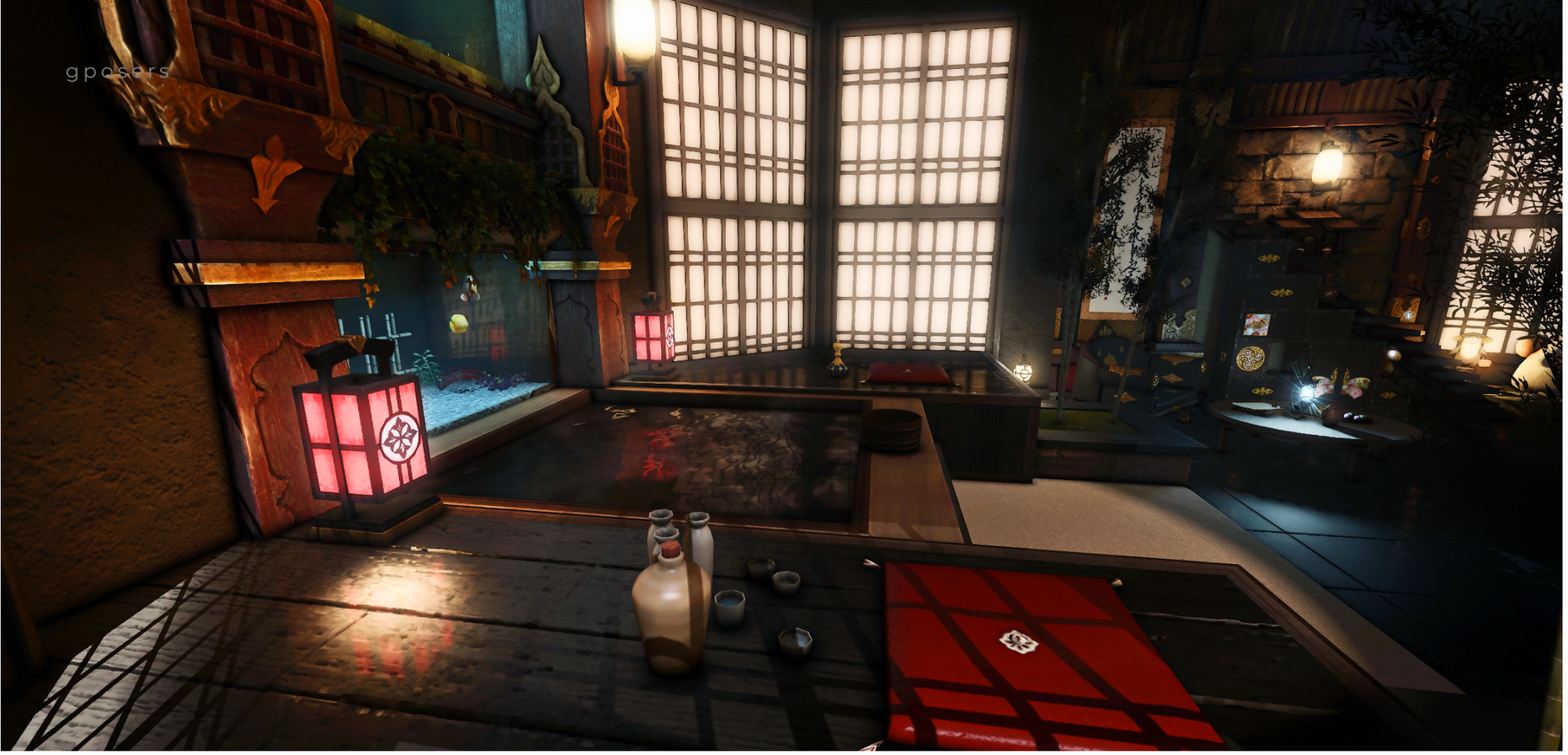

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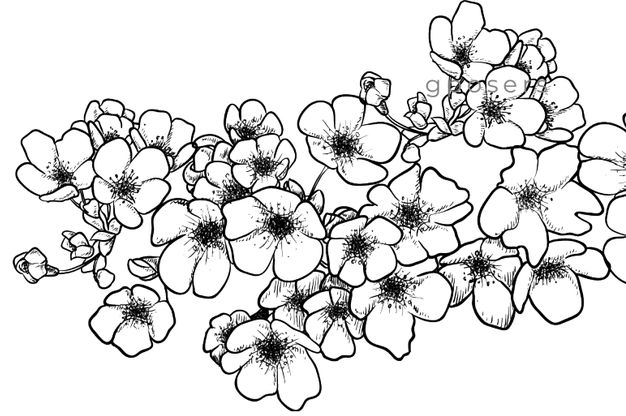

An **oriental bathtub** is nestled between two **troupe stages**, mimicking raised flooring. Warm sake is generously laid out for some after (or perhaps during!) bath libations. I certainly would not mind relaxing here after a long day's work!

Well, I've certainly rambled on long enough! Did you enjoy your tour of Nyxxie's home as much as I did, fellow housing fans? Maybe there's some inspiration to be pulled from these cottage walls, hmm? As always, feel free to reach out to me on Discord or in-game if you want to be featured in our next issue or if you've seen a home in your travels that's blown you away! Leeja, signing off!

Leeja Llen

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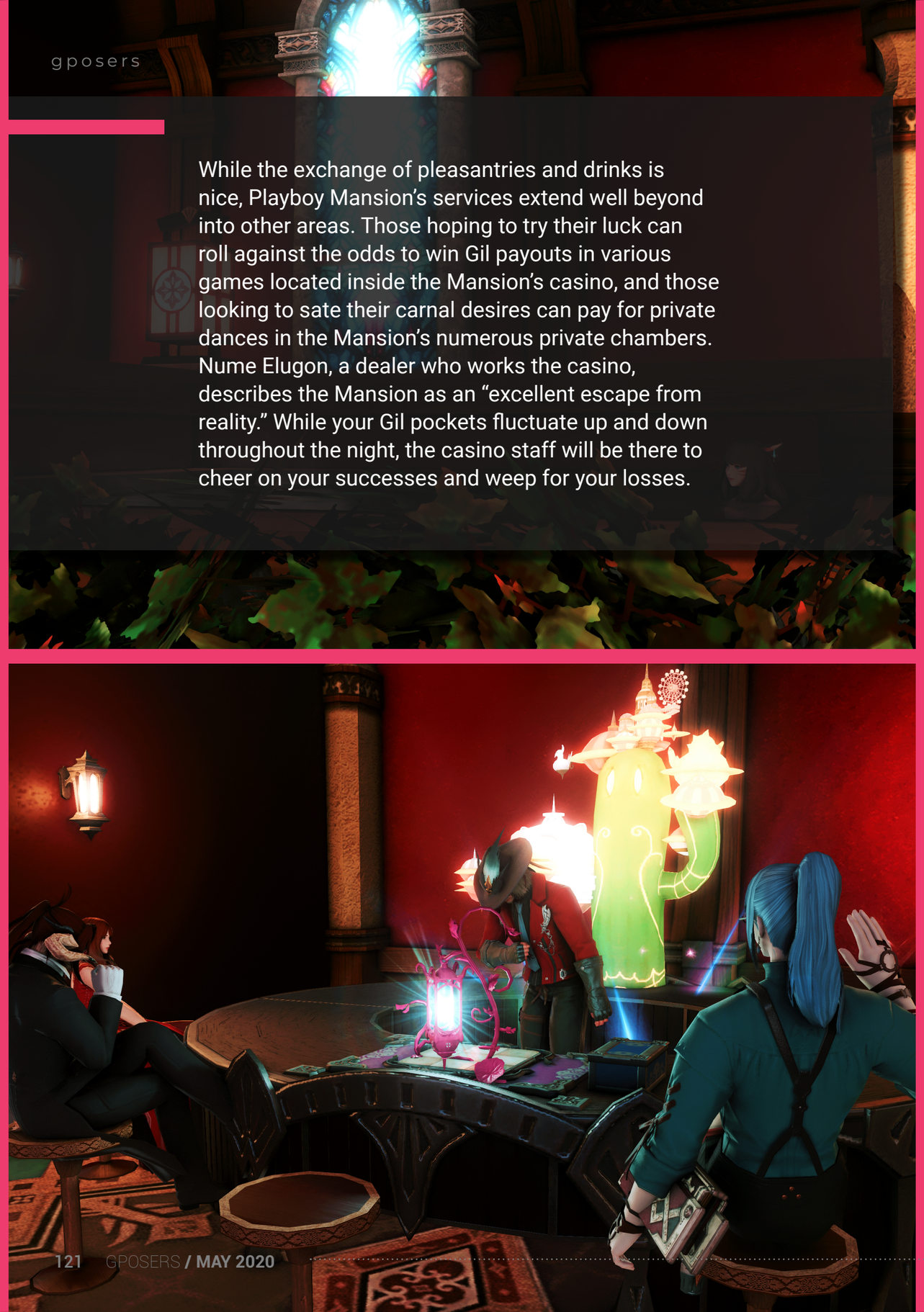
As the light of the La Noscean sun falls into a slumber across the horizon, one venue wakes to stir warmth into its patrons. Playboy Mansion, housed in a quiet corner of The Mist, offers its services to those looking for a night full of memories. Whether it be through a choice selection of tonics, the rush of gambled Gil, or heat found on the dance floor (private and otherwise), the Mansion ensures that those who enter do not forget their time spent. However, behind its beautifully designed interior, and the bustle of roleplaying crowds, lies the heart of its success—real people working diligently throughout the night to create a handcrafted experience that is nothing short of enjoyable.

The bar serves as an excellent location to sit and take in the busy atmosphere. Its slower pace made for a great start for those, such as myself, who were intimidated by veteran roleplayers participating in other activities. It was there that I was greeted with a simple, ""Hey there, pretty!" by a charismatic bartender named Kurai Kurokiri and was offered a drink to start off my night.

Roleplay within the Mansion primarily resides within Final Fantasy XIV's private message system (tells) to avoid clutter in general messaging. Visible to only Kurokiri and myself—we began to exchange text and share things about ourselves to each other. By that time, I was already fully immersed within the world that they had created and found myself wanting to roleplay as an out-of-town journalist rather than asking questions outright. I found out that while interacting with guests was fun, their favorite part of working there was the environment and their fellow staff members.

"*I really love the atmosphere of PBM. A very welcoming environment and the staff feels just like a familial unit. They make sure they have everyone's back and wish for the best of our health.*" - Kurai Kurokiri @Goblin



While the exchange of pleasantries and drinks is nice, Playboy Mansion's services extend well beyond into other areas. Those hoping to try their luck can roll against the odds to win Gil payouts in various games located inside the Mansion's casino, and those looking to sate their carnal desires can pay for private dances in the Mansion's numerous private chambers. Nume Elugon, a dealer who works the casino, describes the Mansion as an "excellent escape from reality." While your Gil pockets fluctuate up and down throughout the night, the casino staff will be there to cheer on your successes and weep for your losses.

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Located in front of the entrance to the Mansion's private chambers, the concierge desk is there to help you match with the perfect partner to dance the night away. While a private dance will cost more than a drink at the bar or a bet at the casino, the experience of an unfiltered and unforgettable night is well worth the price. Strawberry Sundae, a cute, bubbly (but secretly tsundere) dancer for the Mansion, describes her experience with her customers as becoming more of a *learning* experience about herself and her clientele. But most importantly, whatever *does* happen behind closed doors remains unforgettable for everyone involved.

"My first night at PBM is definitely something I'll never forget. For obvious reasons, I won't name them...but those people know who they are, and if you folks ever read this...I love you all big time and want to thank you for making a newbie feel great on her first day!" - Strawberry Sundae @Goblin

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While many venues stay closed throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, Playboy Mansion continues to serve the XIV community through this crisis by providing a place for like-minded individuals and first time roleplayers to experience something new. Be sure to arrive early, as the Mansion is almost always a full house when it opens. But most importantly, enjoy yourself~

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DEITY: Rhalgr the Destroyer

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WORLD: Faerie
DEITY: Azeyma the Warden

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WORLD: Moogle
DEITY: Oschon the Wanderer

10 NAME: Rinziel Elerrina
WORLD: Odin
DEITY: Thaliak the Scholar

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WORLD: Lich
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WORLD: Tonberry
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DEITY: Nymeia the Spinner

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Mother of the Sheave

Churning Mists (7, 36)

Carved into the supposed likeness of Saint Shiva, this towering monument was created nearly a century after her passing. While none can contest its magnificence, the great wyrm Hraesvelgr and his brood contend that it doesn't actually resemble the saint at all.

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Schism

The Fringes (23, 7)

Arguably one of the most sacred locales tied to the Fist of Rhalgr, it is said that the cavern itself was hewed out of the mountain over the course of decades by nothing more than the repeated strikes of the order's first nameless monk, who sought the power of the deity Rhalgr. The temple now known as Schism was later constructed in its confines.

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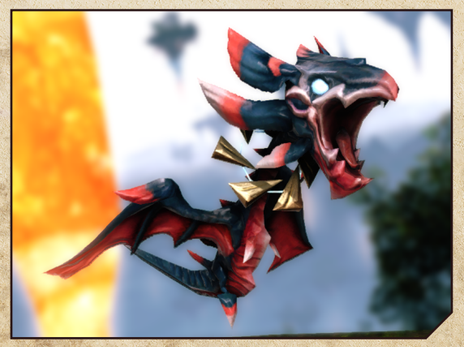
Shattered Remembrance

Sohr Khai (11, 15)

The locales throughout Sohr Khai (lit. grieving apology) are named in memory of the great wyrm Ratatoskr who once made the far-off locale her roost. It was her betrayal and death by the hands of King Thordan I and his Knights Twelve that sparked the Dragonsong War, and there is not a dragon alive who does not know the regret of being unable to prevent her passing.

MINION MENAGERIE

The most interesting stories always venture into the unknown world of wonders. Some are perilous, some are pleasant—however, one thing that all of the stories you live and breathe have in common is that you are never alone. In the world of Final Fantasy XIV, there are hundreds of creatures that will follow you to the very end of Hydaelyn and beyond. These creatures are called minions. My name is Lufreine, and I am here to bring you new companions every month to join you on your adventures. This is the Minion Menagerie.



KIDRAGORA

Description: “Even in space, everyone can hear this seedkin scream.”

Obtained: Gathered (BTN Lvl.46) - East Shroud - Level 50
Unspoiled Node: (ET 9:00 p.m.)

PENGUIN PRINCE

Description: “An empire awaits.”

Obtained: The Road of Verminion (Achievement) - “Complete 4 different Lord of Verminion tournaments with double digit victories.”

SHALLOWEYE

Description: “Please refrain from staring.”

Obtained: A Load of Verminion II (Achievement) - “Win 50 Lord of Verminion player battle (RP) matches.”

CLOCKWORK TWINTANIA

Description: “Another advanced Allagan creation. Is there anything the Allagans couldn’t create? The Allagans are believed to have created an instrument to answer this very question.”

Obtainer: Challenge Accepted (Achievement) - “Complete the first 24 Verminion Challenges.”

FULL-TIME PHOTOSHOP

W/SENPAI

Triple Triad ★★★★★★ Tutorial

DIFFICULTY: EASY

Hello hello! Another issue means another Photoshop tutorial, and this month's is quite a fun one. By no means is it difficult, as we will be working with a template this time around. However, we will discuss a key technique that is worth mentioning: **masking**.

LET'S GET STARTED!

CLICK HERE TO DOWNLOAD THE TEMPLATE!

ALL ABOUT
Layer masking

Going along with this month's theme of the Gold Saucer, the staff thought it would be fun to turn our characters into **Triple Triad cards**. So, that is what we shall be doing in today's guide.

Given that we will be working with a template (put together by our very own *Yomigami Okami*) there is actually not a whole lot we need to do, save for inserting our character and customizing it to our liking.

Since everything is already laid out for us with this template, I'd like to take a moment to discuss **masking**. This technique is also referred to as a layer mask. A **layer mask** is basically something we can add to a layer in Photoshop that allows us to **control the transparency** of that layer. For example, say you had two images you wanted to blend together, but only wanted certain parts of each image to show through. You could simply create a black layer mask on each image, and paint white over the areas you want to show.

Another version of masking is to use a clipping mask. A clipping mask is a bit more fun, but what is it? It's a group of layers to which a mask is applied. For example: you could have a shape in the bottom layer, and then the next layer would be a photograph. If my clipping mask were a star, whatever photo I put in the next layer would be in the shape of a star. Why am I explaining all this? Well, the template utilizes clipping masks pretty heavily, so it's worth going over.

"Alright Senpai, that's cool and all, but I wanna learn how to make myself into a nigh-unstoppable Triple Triad card and brag to my friends!"

I hear you, I hear you.
Let's do that now!

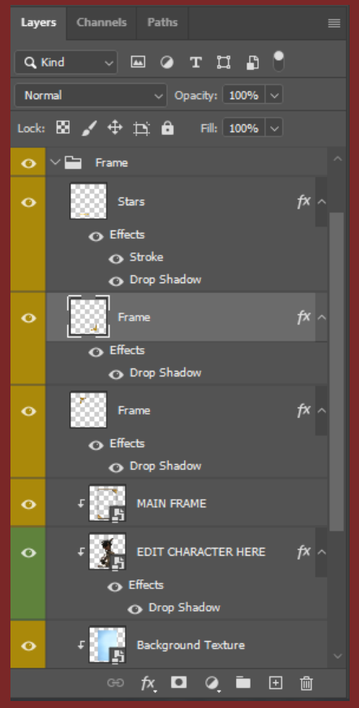
STEP I. *Getting Started*

Let's open up the template and see what we're working with here. Currently, the card is set to our wonderful overlord editor Marot, but we'll change all that in a few short steps. Let's first go over everything we see in the layers panel, particularly the two folders/groups.

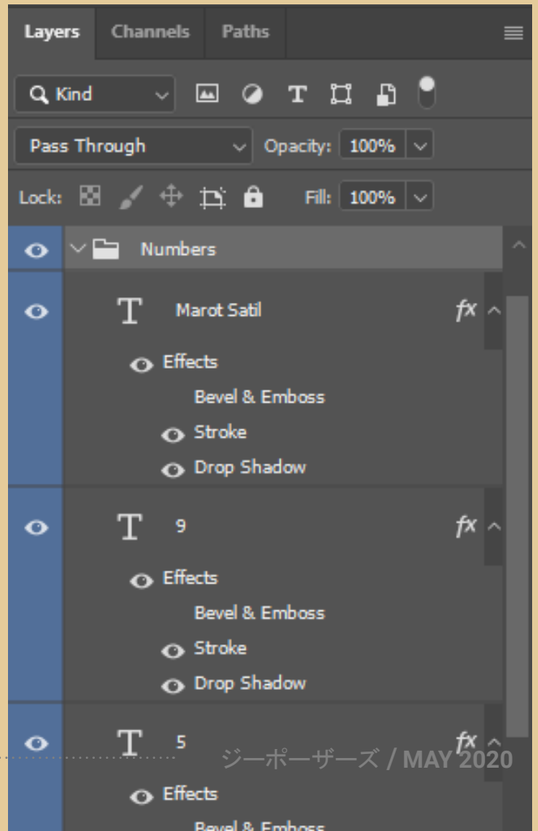
The first one is the "Numbers" group. If we expand it, we'll see this is where we can edit all the numbers in the top right corner of the card. Within this group is also where we can edit the name and make it our own. Let's do that now.

Double-click the [T] next to the name, which should highlight the name within the template to allow us to edit it. **Enter your character's name** and hit the check up top to confirm this change. Your name might be like mine, which is a little lengthy. If that's the case, we can bring the text back within the card bound by hitting **Ctrl/Cmd+T** to bring up the transform function. Simply resize and/or move the text into place.

Hit enter when done to confirm changes.

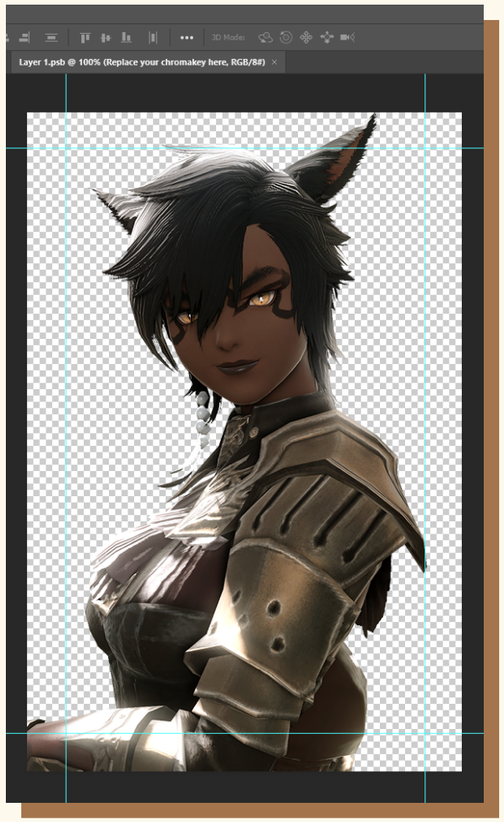


All that was said above is the exact same method you'd use to change the numbers as well.



STEP II. *Smart Objects*

Now to bring in our own character, AKA "The Fun Part". Let's expand the "Frame" group, so we can look at all the goodies inside. Inside this group, we can turn off/on/edit all the parts that make up the frame of the card. The most important part, however, is the **"EDIT CHARACTER HERE"** layer. **Let's double-click the small preview image.**



I. DOUBLE CLICK

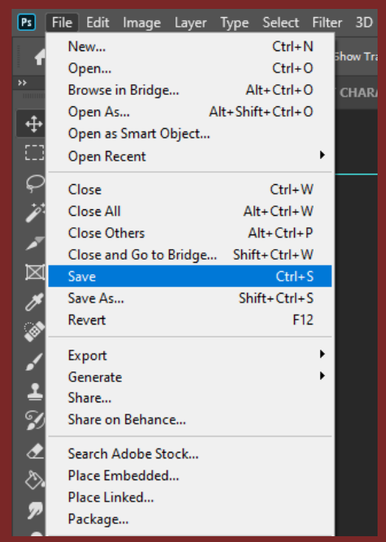
II. REPLACE

III. CTRL+S

A new PS tab should open up that looks like this:

Within this tab is where we'll replace Marot's stand-in with our very own character. Doing that is simple, don't worry! Let's hide Marot for now, by clicking the small eye icon next to his layer. Your canvas should now be blank. Open up the picture of your character you'd like to use (preferably a portrait shot/bust shot) and plop it on the canvas.

I used *GShade's ChromaKey feature* to snap a screenshot of my character without any background, to save some time. You might wish to resize and position your character a bit, so take your time. Here is where you can also edit your screenshot a bit. Turn up the contrast, or whatever edits you'd like to do. **When you're happy, press Ctrl/Cmd+S to save the changes, or go up to File -> Save.**



Switch back to the card template to see that your character is now front and center! Everything within this template is editable. You can change the numbers on your card, you can change the number of stars, the background, etc. If you're unhappy with your character placement/edits, go back to the tab where your character is and edit further. Just don't forget to save so that your changes appear on the card. Let's take a look at that final export:

FINAL RESULT

A Triple Triad Card

Yomi included some backgrounds in case you wish to share these on social media!

Be sure to tag us at **@GPOSERS_FFXIV** so we can see it. If you want just the card, turn off the white background at the bottom of the layers list.

That's all I got for you today! It was a lot of reading, but it's all there to help better understand the techniques used in the template. Hopefully you all had a fun time with this guide, as I know I had a good time making myself into a Triple Triad card. So go on! Create!

Stay safe and I'll see you all next time.

Full-time Senpai

STAFF INTRODUCTIONS

AZENA ALIRAE

PHOTOGRAPHER KUJATA

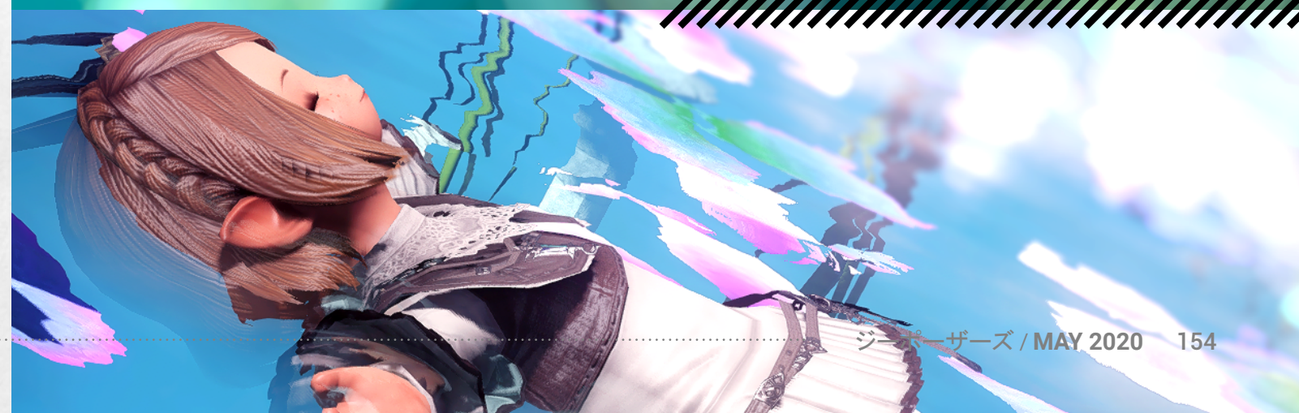
Heya! I'm Azena Alirae, hailing from the world of Kujata, but you can just call me Azena. I'm proud to be part of the GPOSERS staff as a photographer, and I can't wait to help contribute to this wonderful magazine!

I've been playing Final Fantasy XIV since late Heavensward, starting out as an Au Ra. But once I discovered the endless possibilities of fantasia, I've since been every race but Elezen and Hrothgar. I am forever a Lalafell at heart, but I've had a Viera itch for a bit...

After dipping my toes into the Stormblood raiding scene, I've since delved into Shadowbringers savage fights and I'm loving them so far. My latest challenge is The Unending Coil of Bahamut (Ultimate), though I do hope to conquer more fights in the future. The bosses are wonderful, but by far the best part is getting to be the angry healer main.

Besides spending my time in the raid and /gpose scene, I enjoy playing the game with my amazing free company, helping out or taking part in the shenanigans we get ourselves into, which tends to be quite the handful.

Outside of Eorzea, however, I typically spend time baking or showering my cat and dog with love and cuddles, as well as playing a few other games. If you ever want to stop by Kujata, feel free to say hi! I'm always happy to talk and take screenshots. I can't wait to share my work with this fantastic community, and I look forward to all of the issues to come!



COUP DEGRAS

PHOTOGRAPHER GOBLIN

Hello! Coup Degras, but Coup is fine. I'm here from Goblin to take some breathtaking photos for the wonderful GPOSERS magazine, and to hopefully learn a thing or two from the awesome staff while sharing it with all of the lovelies.

I started way back in the days of A Realm Reborn—right after the reboot from 1.0—and have been very active since starting. I've dipped my hands in most classes and usually learn towards magic and ranged jobs, but have been known to tank here and there when I feel like I need some pain in my life.

Currently, I am a dancer main and have a kick-ass static doing the current savage content as well as being an unofficial mentor to my friends who are just starting out. My healers I can tell are pretty stressed by the amount of zooming around I do while barely missing AoE's. Though I do it simply for the sake of just being a dork, and to keep everyone laughing at my near death moments (I dance; it's what we do since we don't do damage).

Outside of the current savage runs, I work for a humble roleplay mansion as a dancer (currently on hiatus) and as a moderator. That involves doing my best to keep the peace among all the amazing people there, workers and patrons alike. I also have done several photoshoots with many of my friends there to show off their beautiful characters.

Away from Final Fantasy XIV, I still am very much an avid gamer, musician, and all around goofball. I really play any sort of game, with a real fascination for puzzle and simulation games as well (too many hours in farming simulators). Animal Crossing New Horizons is my life force right now, but I look forward to a lot of new titles and even new XIV content as well! It's an awesome opportunity to be a part of this team, and I can't wait to grow my skills as a photographer for the magazine and for you all!

LHO'A RELANAH

ARTIST LAMIA

Hello! Lho'a Relanah here, gentleman extraordinaire and master of crafts. Wait—that's not what I'm here for? Oh, right! I'm here as an artist for GPOSERS (Maybe even a glam artist too!)

I started Final Fantasy XIV around Patch 2.55 and fell in love with it. I joined when they had announced Au Ra, and already made my first character with a fantasia in mind at release. That was my main on Balmung, which I used for roleplay with friends until around patch 4.3!

Once 4.3 was released, I made an alt on Lamia to play with my then-girlfriend. Lho'a Relanah was born into this world, and I haven't looked back since!

While I don't raid much, I'm an avid roleplayer on the Primal data center and even run my own roleplay free company! During my free time in Eorzea when not hanging out with my significant other, I...craft! I jokingly call myself a crafter main, because I enjoy crafting content first over battle content (Pssst, if you need anything crafted for free on Primal, feel free to bother me!)

When not spending my time in Eorzea, I'm often working on...you guessed it: art! While not my main profession, I do commissions and often draw my own and friend's characters. One of my main obsessions is houseki Au Ra, or jeweled Au Ra! I recommend checking out the 宝石アウラ tag on Twitter! Ah—I'm rambling again! I hope we can all get along!

UCHU SUZUME

TRANSLATOR YOJIMBO

Hello. I'm Uchu Suzume, and I'll be joining the staff as an English to Japanese translator.

I have felt that ReShade and GShade are very interesting and open up new avenues for the gaming experience. Although this technology is not new, I think there is still a lot of potential and there are not many people who still use it well except for GPOSERS and the Final Fantasy XIV community.

There are new creations that can and have been made both within and without the game, and I believe GPOSERS is likely to be one of them. I love sharing beautiful screenshots and have a lot of enthusiasm for it. So much so that the days of just playing games are coming to an end, and something much greater awaits. I truly believe that.

I wanted to spread GShade and share GPOSERS to gamers in my country. The first was already somewhat attained and Marot asked me to come here.

Of course, I'm going to be translating—but if there's anything else I can do, I want to help out in any way. There are still things I might be able to do with GShade and fun things I can do here.

Personally, I think this will be a great opportunity to learn about the community and culture of players from different countries, and I'm very excited about that as well. Oh...? But lately, our staff appear obsessed with Animal Crossing.

I will be glad if my work has been useful somewhere. Thanks for reading to the end. I will strive to do my best!

TSUKIUMI NOX & KAIDA AKITO

VIDEOGRAPHERS SHIVA

Conventions? Norm? These two have no need for those. With similar skills but with different masteries, Tsukiumi Nox and Kaida Akito of Shiva are just two of the many creative minds behind their free company. They are here to kick in the door and say: “Hello, nice to meet you!" Yes, they are both married, beware of their wives. “The steppe was certainly beautiful enough but never big enough for this Xaela. Adventure calls for Tsukiumi!"

It is time for a themed maps session because Tsukiumi organizes them plenty. Sailor Moon, Disney Princesses, Brexit, and now even a demonic theme. Needing to get back at someone creatively? Get ready to be bashed in a funny and awesome video, starring underwear that you will love without knowing why! Do not worry, she can and will be nice and helpful. Just don't set her up for a roleplay date, that's apparently a big faux pas that will put you in the gray area.

For her, Friday evening is the time to game and unwind with friends. Adding in a wide array of events and adventures, making pictures in /gpose, and editing videos, this red-mage-maining power woman has editing and video skills that she mixes well with her nostalgia and love of games long ago. The product of all that? Well, one example is the sweet cake that is the Street Fighter Glamour video.

“Talking about cake, care to cook? Kaida does!"

He takes the time to make every meal a feast at home. Kaida enjoys cooking with his wife, and of course eating it! This multifaceted warrior main has a motto: “Berserker for life", which is how he handles his axe! He is an adventurous traveler that loves to huddle up at home; the best of both worlds, one could say. Just remember that behind the calm kindness hides bloody murder...somewhere...

Is Final Fantasy XIV end-game too much for you? Not for Kaida, his housing skills are definitely top-notch, and so are his glams! From simple aesthetics to creative combinations, anything is possible for Kaida with housing items. You want a rounded window? Double ceiling? Done! Looking for a nice real-life kitchen replication? Done! Maybe you just want a badass motorcycle you can sit on in an actual garage? Easy!

Kaida is specialized in special effects and is capable of creating imaginative scenes with precision. With dedication and eye for detail, he creates works of art that portray stories both told and untold.

Honestly, Kaida and Tsukiumi have quite a lot of similar interests, and the best part about that? They are great friends and an awesome team together!

Anyroad, if these words did not speak enough for the two then their work, actions, and friendliness will when you actually meet them! You can now find them within the GPOSERS staff!

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